
4th DECEMBER, 1804.

Read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow.

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GIVING power to the Stockholders of the Marine Insurance Company of Alexandria, to insure against Fire.

1 **Be it enacted,** by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
1 SEC. 1. That from and after the passing of this act, the name
2 and stile of the Marine Insurance Company of Alexandria, incor-
3 porated by an act of the commonwealth of Virginia, bearing date
4 sixteenth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and nine-
5 ty-eight, entitled "An act to incorporate a company for marine
6 insurance, and other purposes, in the town of Alexandria;" be al-
7 tered to that of the Marine and Fire Insurance Company of Alex-
8 andria.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said Marine and
 2 Fire Insurance Company, shall have power and authority to make
 3 insurance against fire, on houses, ware-houses, household goods
 4 and furniture, and goods, wares, and merchandise, within the
 5 United States....which contracts of insurance against fire shall be
 6 obligatory on the capital, stock, and profits of the said body politic
 7 and corporate, and may be prosecuted by suit at law, in like man-
 8 ner as their contracts of marine insurance are liable to be sued
 9 and prosecuted.

1 SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That when the stockholders
 2 possessing the stock (authorised by the above recited act, of the
 3 commonwealth of Virginia,) shall agree thereto, it shall and may
 4 be lawful, for the president and directors, to augment the capital
 5 of the company, from time to time, as may be deemed expedient,
 6 so as not to exceed twelve thousand five hundred shares, at twen-
 7 ty dollars each share, making an additional capital of two hundred
 8 and fifty thousand dollars.

1 SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing in this act con-
 2 tained, shall in any wise impair the powers, change or annul any
 3 contract or engagement made, or entered into by the said marine
 4 insurance company, before the passage hereof. But the same
 5 shall remain as if this act had never been made, any thing to the
 6 contrary herein notwithstanding.